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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of ) Atty. Dkt. No. KEN3/WAB  
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JULIAN J. KENNEDY et al. )  
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Application No. : National Phase Filing of )  
International Application No. )  
PCT/ZA99/00085 )  
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Filed : March 14, 2001 )  
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For : VIDEO GAMING DEVICE AND )  
COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM )

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application filed herewith as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-49, and replace them with the following new claims:

- - 50. A video gaming system which includes:  
at least one player station;  
at least one local personal computer which receives player inputs from the player station;  
a remote computer; and  
a communication means whereby the local personal computer can communicate with the  
remote computer; and  
wherein a game program is executed by at least one of the local personal computer and  
the remote computer.